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Remarks:

These remarks are responsive to the Office action dated May 30, 2007. Prior to entry of this response, claims 1-20 were pending in the application. By way of this response, claims 1 and 13 are amended, claims 2 and 20 are cancelled, and claim 21 added. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claim 2 is indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter and have rewritten claim 1 to include the limitations of claim 2. Likewise, claim 13 has been amended to include at least the allowable subject matter of claim 2. Finally, new claim 21 has been included, also including the allowable subject matter of claim 2.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102 and 103

Applicants respectfully disagree with the rejections, and do not acquiesce to their correctness. In particular, for at least the reasons noted in the previous response, which are incorporated herein by reference, the rejections should be withdrawn.

However, to pass allowable subject matter to issuance, the above amendments are requested to be entered, as they raise no new issues.

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Conclusion

Applicants believe that this application is now in condition for allowance, in view of the above amendments and remarks. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner issue a Notice of Allowability covering the pending claims. If the Examiner has any questions, or if a telephone interview would in any way advance prosecution of the application, please contact the undersigned attorney of record.

Please charge any cost incurred in the filing of this Response, along with any other costs, to Deposit Account No. 06-1510.

Respectfully submitted,

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